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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

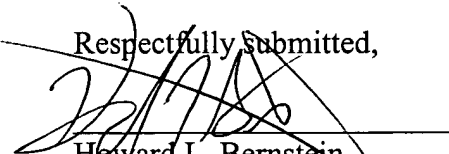
In response to the restriction requirement, dated January 28, 2002, Applicant elects Group II, claims 9-22 for examination.

In response to the Examiner's election requirement, Applicant elects the species of Figure 11-12 (Embodiment 4). Claims 9-19 and 20-22 are readable on the elected species. Claims 9-11 and 20 are generic.

Applicant submits that allowance of any generic claim should result in allowance of the respective specie claims. Also, claims dependent on allowed elected claims should also be allowable.

Please charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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